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Phillis Johnson-Ball  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street NW  
Washington, DC 20432  
Attention: Finance Docket No. 34797

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

As 44-year residents of the Town of Wilmington Massachusetts we would like to register our concern and displeasure with the plan to allow Olin Chemical Co. to sell their already highly contaminated property to New Jersey based New England Transrail. NET plans to construct a solid waste reload facility on this property, which is in Wilmington and borders Woburn. As you are aware the contamination of this property by previous and present owners has forced the closing of five (5) of our nine wells that supply the drinking water for our entire town. The Olin property scored enough for NPL listing based on ground water contamination alone.

If you have viewed the area in which this property is located you have seen the large amount of truck traffic currently using Eames Street. The two adjoining streets, numbered routes, are already saturated with truck traffic. If, as NET estimates, this new facility will add 400 truck trips per day this already congested area will become dangerous to travel. Wilmington will have the dubious distinction of having traffic, air and water pollution in the same area.

Please understand that we the people of the Town of Wilmington realize that a large amount of our most precious resource, our water, has been rendered useless for many years to come. Do not allow another company to come into this same area and further contaminate what little we have left.

We believe that we have a moral obligation and the government has a legal obligation to protect the few natural resources that remain in our town for coming generations and that allowing NET to further contaminate our town can only be described as outrageous.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and please consider very carefully the environmental impact of a project of this type and magnitude.

Sincerely,

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